Swindon

# March Newsletter

Spring is in the air and we can start to look forward to more "outdoor" events. Many of you enjoy walking and cycling — why not put a walk or cycle ride on as an event and invite others to join you? Nothing better than to find a nice place for a snack along the route!

We have some events lined up this month that are easy to join in. A meal at Dough & Co pizzeria (where Prezzo used to be); we just need numbers as soon as possible. On the same night, we can move upstairs after the meal to try out some games and drinks at the Battle Boom Bar, or you might just want to join us there.

The book and film clubs continue to be very popular and you can join in with these at any time. More details overleaf.

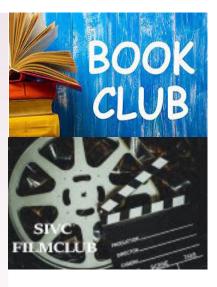
I walk our dog daily in the lovely Lydiard Park and anyone wanting to join me is very welcome.

Perhaps it is also a time to reflect on the fact that we are able to freely enjoy ourselves and meet friends and family without restriction. After 2 years of covid, it is sad to know that there are now those caught up in warfare and the newfound freedom we have is not available to them. Our thoughts should be with all of them.



Colin—Chair









#### Upcoming events

9 Marcl	h Meetin	g Night at H&W
12 Mar	ch Sausag	e & Cider Festival
26 Mar	ch Meal at	t Dough & Co
26 Mar	ch Boom E	Battle Bar
9 April	Gin & F	Rum Festival
12 Apri	l Meetir	ng Night at H&W
22 Apri	l Book C	lub
23 Apri	l 10 Pin	Bowling
2 June	Platinu	ım Jubilee Events
18 June	e Murde	er Mystery Night
5 July	Psycho	logy of Serial Killers
8 July	Rocky	Horror Picture Show

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#### **Swindon IVC**

There are over 40 IVC clubs throughout the UK with a total membership of around of 4,000 and these clubs are part of the Association of Intervarsity Clubs (AIVC).

These are social clubs, run by members for members, that cater for a wide variety of tastes and interests, from walking, theatre visits, book and film clubs, eating out, playing games or just a chat over coffee or drinks.

Swindon IVC currently meet monthly for a catch up and to talk about the events that are coming up.

All events are put on by the members to be enjoyed by all. Members are encouraged to put on at least 3 events each year and then get a discount on the annual membership fee.

## Membership Fees

We have waived membership fees for more than a year to reflect the problem with holding social events.

Membership fees restarted on 1st February 2022 at a reduced rate of £24 a year.

Those that organise just 3 events each year get a discount of £8 so membership is just £16.

If you have yet to pay your membership fees for the year, please can you do so as soon as possible?

New members— to try out membership it is just £5 for 3 months.

#### Book Club—22nd April

**Penguins Stopped Play** by Harry Thompson.

A 2006 semi-autobiographical novel by the English writer and producer Harry Thompson. It describes the author's experiences forming and travelling with the Captain Scott XI, an English amateur cricket team, around Britain and abroad.

Details of location will follow.

The Book club met in February to discuss *The unexpected inheritance of Inspector Chopra*. Bill enjoyed it the most and said: "Overall, most readers did not share my enormous liking and enthusiasm for this book with scores between 5-7, against my 9. Well done Lindsay for coming up with something amusing, light hearted but also with serious aspects to crime in India and the way of life."

## Sausage and Cider Festival — 12th March 2022

Sausages and cider -- music and fun!

If you would like to join us for this, please can you organise tickets on line and email us to ensure we know you will be there. We can arrange a meet up time just before the event.

https://www.sausageandciderfest.co.uk/ buy-tickets-now

thelovells23@gmail.com



Pizza Night

Join us for a pizza (or pasta) at the newly opened *Dough & Co*. After so many restaurants closed in lock down, it is great to see some new places opening. We will book a table for as many as possible but need to know if you are coming

26th March 2022.

### **Battle Boom Bar**

Perhaps an unusual addition to Swindon's nightlife but very welcome. Lots of games to try, including axe throwing, live music venue and a great place to meet friends and have fun.

Come along to one or both

#### **Film Club**

An initial suggestion for the next film to watch and then discuss is "the Duke", now released.

If you enjoy a wide range of films and would like to enjoy discussing the plots and storylines, do let us know and we can make sure you are added to the email group.

Films are chosen by the members of the film club so join in and have your say!



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